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More Hot Air From Smith

Washington, July 11.—A special to the Evening Herald has the following: In order to expedite statehood and secure the passage of the Flood resolution at this session and its approval by the president, the members of the senate committee on territories will offer an amendment to the resolution providing for the complete elimination of the recall of the judiciary in the Arizona constitution.

Senator William Alden Smith, chairman of the senate committee on territories, submitted the report of the committee this afternoon, simply including the amendments for balloting and not commenting upon the resolution. He gave notice to the senate at the time that he would press the members for a prompt vote on the resolution but he said that it might be found expedient to ask for an amendment to strike out the Arizona recall of the judiciary.

"I want to get this resolution adopted at this session," said Chairman Smith this afternoon to the correspondent of the Evening Herald. "I can assure you that I am going to work to that end. It is growing late in the session and there is no time to lose if statehood is to be given to New Mexico and Arizona before December next. I shall do all in my power to hurry action for their immediate resolution."

It is said here on excellent authority that the president has determined that if the measure is at present constituted, with the recall of the judiciary in the Arizona constitution, comes before him he will veto it. It is said that the house will agree to the exclusion of the recall feature rather than delay statehood for Arizona indefinitely.

Quiet Home Wedding

Monday evening, July 3, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Rouen, on Clinton street, was solemnized the quiet home ceremony which united in the holy bonds of matrimony Miss Viola Rouen and Mr. George Sprague, of Cimarron, New Mexico. The Rev. Father Felix, acting pastor of St. John's Catholic church, was the officiating clergyman, the wedding being very quiet because the recent death of the bride's grand father.

Mr. and Mrs. Sprague left last night for Kansas City, where they will visit, and also at Raton, New Mexico, when they will be at home at Cimarron.

This marriage ends courtship of some years that started at a time when the groom was employed in Beloit as agent at the Missouri Pacific depot, since at which time he has been at various points and for a year or more at Cimarron. His bride is one of Beloit's best known and most loveable young ladies, whose popularity has been attested in various ways, and especially at a time when she was selected as queen of Beloit's first flower parade. Since her graduation from the Beloit High school she has been acting as bookkeeper until recently.

George and Viola have many friends in Beloit, who heartily wish them happiness and prosperity in their New Mexico home.—Beloit (Kans.) News.

J. B. Procter returned Thursday with his little son from Roy where he has been spending a couple of weeks. Mrs. Procter will arrive in the city today and will make their future home here.

'Roosevelt and the Recall'

President Roosevelt has come out squarely in favor of admitting Arizona to statehood with her very radical constitution. When President Roosevelt was in the White House he was opposed even to the initiative and the referendum as being too radical. The proposed constitution of Arizona has a provision which enables the people to recall a judge from office after he has proven unsatisfactory. Mr. Roosevelt says he does not favor the "recall" but that he does not see why Arizona should not enjoy that privilege if she desires to do so and recall her judges. This article by Mr. Roosevelt which appeared over his signature in the "Outlook" has attracted a great deal of attention, both among the Congressmen and Senators, and the people at large, is showing that some of his opinions have undergone substantial changes since he left the White House.

Too Much Rain In Taos County

Santa Fe, N. M., July 11.—Before leaving for his home in Taos, Territorial Coal Inspector Mulaquias stated that the rains in Taos county have been heavier than in Santa Fe county and are likely to do harm, both to the alfalfa crops and to the sheep industry, unless they "let up." Sheep men, it is said, are growing alarmed at the weather conditions and believe there can be even too much of a good thing when it rains in New Mexico.

Mountain Rivers On Rampage

Silver City, N. M., July 10.—As the result of the longest continuous rain and the heaviest ever known in this part of New Mexico a rain which began Sunday afternoon and continued steadily until noon today, all the mountain gulches and arroyos have become torrents, and it is feared that much damage has been done to the farms along the valleys in Grant county. The railroad is reported damaged badly near Santa Rita and Fierro with a disastrous washout on the Santa Fe, Deming and Spalding. The train due at Silver City at noon may not arrive until late tonight. The various roads leading to the mining camps have been seriously damaged, and the Gila is reported to be on a tremendous rise.

According to the figures given out by Receiver Fred Muller of the Santa Fe land office, Colfax county has 42,980 acres of government land still open for settlement.

City Insurance Rate Reduced

L. K. Terhune, district inspector of Underwriters Association, was in town several days this week. He inspected the fire ordinance recently passed and approved by the city council, also the hose, ladders and ladders recently purchased by the council. The system under which the city was divided into fire wards also was inspected. The fire fighting apparatus, fire wards, and ordinance regulating the storage of explosives, etc., met his approval and he will recommend the reduction of the insurance rates for the city. We will have as low a rate as Raton, lower than Tucumcari and several other larger cities than Cimarron.

G. H. Morris of Salano, is in the city for a few days this week.

Congress is Weary

There is no dodging the fact that Congress is anxious to avoid the consideration of all legislation at this session except what it simply must take up. Statehood for New Mexico and Arizona, reapportionment, direct election of senators, Panama Canal tolls, Panama Exposition matters, army legislation, conservation legislation, the control of corporations, these are some of the things which are clamoring for attention and which seem destined to go over. An exception may be made of a resolution for the President to invite Latin-American Countries to exhibit at the Panama-California Exposition in San Diego in 1915, which Col. D. C. Collier, Director General, urging, as that is not looked on as legislation, strictly speaking.

The Honduras treaties, involving loans are not likely to go through at this session and there is great disappointment because countries to the southward are pretty hard up and need the money.

Mountainair Chautauqua

The fourth annual Chautauqua assembly at Mountainair, Torrance county, will be held this year August 2nd to 13th inclusive. Mountainair has the distinction of being the smallest town in the United States that has ever attempted an assembly of this character. This little town on the Santa Fe cut-off not only has attempted but has successfully conducted three of these chautauquas and is going into its fourth with a much more elaborate program than has been attempted before, with every prospect of complete success.

Sometime ago the management of the Chautauqua set aside Saturday, August 5th as "New Mexico Resources Day" and placed arrangements for the program for this day in charge of the Bureau of Immigration. The program has now been completed and includes a number of very interesting lectures by well known experts in their several lines, all bearing upon the resources and development of New Mexico. Governor Mills will be present and will make an address. The program includes a lecture by Dr. W. E. Garrison, President of the New Mexico Agricultural College, on "The Model Ten Acre Irrigated Farm in Mexico"; by Alexander McPherson of Roswell, the noted horticulturist, "Fruit Lands of the Sunnison State," illustrated with stereoscopic views; by John T. Burns, executive secretary of the International Dry-Farming Congress, on "Opportunity and Dry Farming in New Mexico"; by Norris H. Reed, the well known advertising expert of the Santa Fe railroad on "New Mexico need for Intelligent Publicity"; by Ralph C. Ely, of Deming, on "The Magic of the Pump," illustrated with stereoscopic views and by Charles D. Hiller, New Mexico's Irrigation Engineer, on "The Irrigation Resources of New Mexico."

New Mexico State Fair

One of the chiefest features of interest to every body from agricultural section who will visit the New Mexico State Fair, to be held in Albuquerque, October 9 to 14, will be the poultry department. The poultry show, in fact, is going to be one of the biggest attractions at the fair. A splendid list of prizes has been made up and the catalog announcing regulations and trophies is now on the press and will soon be ready for distribution, free to all who wish a copy. Many eastern concerns have generously donated prizes to the fair association, to be given in turn to successful competitors. The poultry show promises to be a big success from every standpoint.

The officers of the fair are working hard in an effort to secure pledges which will assume unusually complete agricultural and horticultural displays. Reports from various parts of the territory indicate that the present year will be a very prosperous one with farmers and fruit growers. The officers of the fair have received assurances from a number of boards of trade and chambers of commerce, located in various parts of New Mexico, that extensive exhibits of agricultural and horticultural products will be sent to Albuquerque. Secretary Manager John McManus has already blocked off a number of spaces on the diagram of the Agricultural Hall at the request of individuals and organizations wishing to make exhibits.

"Parcel Post Again"

Congress has decided to make an investigation of the business of the great Express Companies with a view to establishing a parcel post in connection with the post office department. The Express Companies have filed new rates of transportation. This shows that they are afraid of a parcel post. Congressmen and Senators have been receiving many strong letters from their constituents in all parts of the country urging them to pass the parcel post bill, and it is not believed that it will be very much longer before such will be done. We are far behind European countries which have had parcel posts for many years.

President Will Assist

An event of International significance will occur July 19, when President Taft will assist in breaking ground for an exposition to be held in celebration of the completion and opening of the Panama Canal. President Taft will press a button which will close an electric circuit in San Diego, Cal., and "break out" a great flag—the President's own flag—especially constructed of unusually large size for the particular event—right over the spot where the ceremonies are to take place. The ceremonies will last four days and will be of unique splendor. The President very cheerfully promised Director-General D. C. Collier that he would do this, for, he said, he took an unusual interest in the San Diego Exposition because it will exploit the achievements of Uncle Sam in reclamation, irrigation, forestation and conservation and it also aims to bring together the Latin-American republics and unite them in an illustration of what has been done in the development of the New World. While not outlined on such a large scale as the Panama-Pacific Exposition to be held coincidentally in San Francisco, the San Diego Exposition, with \$2,500,000 already available, has a definite plan, an idea, and promises to be an artistic, financial and industrial triumph.

Artesia is Raising Railroad Bonus

Artesia, N. M., July 11.—The Artesia railroad committee has commenced securing subscriptions and most of those signing up are putting down what are considered liberal sums. The money is subscribed at a very satisfactory rate. In regard to the road a St. Louis paper has printed the following:

"The St. Louis, San Diego and El Paso railroad will commence shortly the construction of its line between Artesia, N. M., and El Paso, Texas, a subsidiary line of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railway company.

Artesia is to donate \$100,000 and a right of way through the town and land for terminal purposes valued at \$25,000, while the town of Hope is to donate \$50,000 and a right of way to the value of \$10,000 more.

A Hope citizen says that on July 4th Hope practically had its \$50,000 bonus subscribed and in several instances citizens gave more than they were assessed, while others paid their assessments in full. Hope citizens are anxious for that railroad and they will get it all right.

O. H. B. Turner, of Raton, was in the city the first of the week on business for the Rocky Mountain.

Sold Their Horses

Three young men came into the city the first of the week on horseback and wanted to sell their three horses and one saddle, after spending two or three days looking for a buyer they finally sold their horses to J. P. Clendening. The young fellows claimed the western part of the territory as their former residence, but it is rather uncertain where they came from, as they gave more than one place their home. After selling their horses they proceeded to get full of bug juice in order to keep off the chills and fever during this damp, rainy weather. They finally got too much of the juice and proceeded to make themselves obnoxious on the streets. Officer McGinty went to arrest them and one ran, one laid down, but the other went with him. Mason Chase was sent after the foot racer and was bringing him in when he broke away and sprinted quite lively for the edge of town but was soon overtaken and brought back. They spent last night in the jugado and will be brought before Justice Hickman this morning to answer for their sins. The boys wanted to leave town yesterday morning on the train, but they will probably have to leave ties from the Rocky Mountain to leave on.

A Good Time, Plenty of Fish

George Shelton, Ernest Simpson and Ev Howard of Tucumcari, chaperoned by "Dad" Wallace, passed through here last week on their way to the Cabrita lake in Taos county, on a fishing trip. They caught lots of fish and report having a grand time. "Dad" has had a lot of experience chaperoning youngsters out for a good time but his patience was taxed to the utmost with the bunch he had with him this trip. Simpson and Shelton were all time trying Wolgast-Morau stunts, and Howard, being a railroad man, inflicted his version of "Casey Jones" on him every two miles. But the climax came when the boys told "Dad" of the different ingredients contained in "fish bait" that was to be had at E-town. "Dad" threatened to leave them right there in the middle of the road and unloaded his tarp, but the boys fessed up and he agreed to stay with them. When they got into the vicinity of the lake Shelton acted as guide and led them one mile up a mountain hunting for the lake. What they had to eat and drink is hard to say, as all of them swear they saw trees, skeletons of mammoths, dinosaurs, and sea serpents in the bottom of the lake. That was too much for "Dad" and he went to Red River to visit his son. The boys started for home and on the way on Thursday, Shelton and Simpson, with impressive ceremonies, crowned Howard as the king of prevaricators and lord of the Ananias club. The crown was a beautiful one made of spruce, pine burs and cedar limbs. Howard was asleep when the coronation was taking place and what he said when he awoke bears any thing that "Dad" used on the entire trip. It was too much for Howard and when they arrived in Cimarron he decided that he would quit them and go home on the train. He left this morning for Tucumcari.

It is rather hard on Shelton and Simpson, but they brought it all on themselves and can blame no one. They will probably separate and both walk home as they cannot agree on anything. But what looks hardest, is that "Dad" is well known for his sunny temper and winning ways and when he can't get along with a bunch, well, there is one thing that the boys do not have much to say about and that is the Indian dance they witnessed. What happened at that time is a mystery, but will eventually be found out. They will leave for Tucumcari tomorrow.

Just So

When you hear a man sneering at the local paper because it is not clean, cheap and newsy as the city papers you can safely bet that he does not squander any of his wealth assisting to make it better and that generally the paper has done more for him than he has for it. The man who can not see the benefit arising from a local paper is of about as much value to a town as a delinquent tax list.—McKinley County Republican.

Uncle Sam May Return To Cuba

Washington, July 12.—Reports of revolutionary conspiracies in Cuba have reached the officials of the state, war and navy departments and a watch is being maintained on the leaders.

The departments are being kept informed as to actual conditions in the island republic and are ready to meet any emergency, either by sending a peacemaker or an armed force to the island.

The agitation now is not unlike that of last December, and the United States government is just as well prepared to handle and cope with the situation now as it was then.

Officials of the war department have been looking for some time for some time for a crisis in the affairs of Cuba. They say it would have reached that point last February but for the fact that crops were usually good in Cuba and the harvesting in April and May employed a majority of the peons now out of employment. With the good crops and the abatement of the conspiracies in the spring the question of intervention was pigeonholed, but it is now revived.

If a revolution occurs the United States will intervene and stay in Cuba.

The storm centers around Gomez, the president of the republic. He is assailed with charges of graft.

There are several aspirants for Gomez's place, but all of them are outside the pale of consideration by the government. Gomez's successor will be selected in Washington.

Guerra last winter threatened to take the Cuban regular army into the field and start a revolution. He was brought to a halt by the United States government, and in a letter to General Wood, Guerra promised to behave. He has since thoroughly organized his rustic soldiers, and it is believed that many arms have been smuggled into the country by his agents.

Colonel Piedra, at one time chief of police of Havana, is "on the outs" with the Cuban president and has threatened, according to reports here, to join with Guerra and former Minister to Mexico general Loynaz Castrillo and combat Gomez for renomination. A fight between the president on the one side and these three leaders on the other means a conflict between the rurales, over which the president rules with an iron hand, and the regular army and former members of the latter organization.

Chairman Smith of the senate committee on territories has returned to Washington, and after a conference with the president says that it will be voted. President Taft, according to reports, is holding out for the elimination of the recall of judges in the Arizona constitution.

Miss Maggie Gallagher spent yesterday in the city on her way home in Ute Park from Dawson.

The Costilla Estates Development Company in Taos county, has won its case in court and the sheriff of that county has served ejectment papers on the settlers who have been living on the land for several years. A great deal of hardship will result to the people who have been living on the land as they will lose all their improvements besides the crops they have already made this year.

T. G. Williamson, of Tucumcari, is spending a couple weeks visiting in the city recuperating from his railroad work with the El Paso & Southwestern.